

HOUSE RESOLUTION 113
By West

A RESOLUTION to commend Kristen Marie O'Hare for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Kristen Marie O'Hare is one such individual who has distinguished herself in her role as a legislative intern for Representatives Ben West, Mike Turner, and Jim Hackworth in the House Consumer and Employee Affairs Committee; Kristen's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators she assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, a student at Belmont University, where she is highly regarded by her peers, Kristen has achieved academic success while majoring in Political Science/Pre-law and participating in numerous extracurricular activities, including serving as President of Belmont College Republicans in her Sophomore and Junior years, standing as Secretary of the Pre-law Society in her Junior year, and holding membership in the Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society; and

WHEREAS, the daughter of William James O'Hare, a New York City police officer, and Joanne O'Hare, an emergency room nurse, Ms. O'Hare was keenly aware of the difference her parents made through their work; she attended St. Johnsbury Academy in St. Johnsbury, Vermont from August 1998 –May 2002; and

WHEREAS, intensely patriotic from a young age, Kristen embraced literature that recounted the settlement of the nation and the iconic documents associated with American independence; by high school she was working on her platform for her 2036 presidential campaign; and

WHEREAS, Ms. O'Hare served as Executive Director of the Caledonia Republican party and was a Legal Office assistant for Attorney Buckham's office while in St. Johnsbury; she was

a member of the Governor's staff of the Tennessee Intercollegiate State Legislature and served as an intern in the Lamar Alexander campaign and the Tennessee GOP office; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize herself with the characteristics and complexity of Tennessee state government and to further her studies, Kristen brought her many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2005 session of the One Hundred Fourth General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2005 legislative session, Ms. O'Hare has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, Kristen has performed her many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby commend Kristen Marie O'Hare for outstanding service as a legislative intern for Representatives Ben West, Mike Turner, and Jim Hackworth and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.